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Sir:

The materials as listed in the attached modified PTO 1449 form are brought to the Examiner's attention pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, § 1.97, and § 1.98.

Copies of all references cited in the Modified PTO 1449 form have been included in the Information Disclosure Statement for a parent file, U.S.S.N. 09/062,866, filed April 20, 1998, Attorney Docket No. DX0725K, and should be available there. Two BLAST Reports and a PCT Search Report are submitted presently as well.

Citation of these documents should not be construed as a representation that the documents are in fact material or are in fact prior art with respect to the instant invention. The Examiner should not make any inference relating to the relative pertinence of cited references based upon the order in which the art is presented. Citation of these documents should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that more pertinent art may not be in existence.

Applicants request that the Examiner fully consider the art cited in the attached modified PTO 1449 form. Applicants further request that the Patent and Trademark Office list all such art on the front of any patent issuing from this application.

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before receiving the first Office action, applicants believe no fee is required for filing this document; however, if such a fee is required the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge DNAX Research Institute's Deposit Account No. 04-1239.

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Enclosures:

1. PCT Search Report dated September 1, 1998 (7 pages);
2. BLAST Searches Performed on June 23, 1997 (6 pages);
3. BLAST Searches Performed on September 9, 1997 (4 pages);
4. Modified PTO 1449 form (3 pages);
5. Return Postcard.